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If you are in need of a **Grain Drill** for seeding this Fall don't fail to call at the **GETTYSBURG SUPPLY HOUSE** and get our prices on drills.

We handle two kinds, the "**Thomas Disc Drill**" which will raise more wheat to the acre than any hoe drill, and we also sell the **Superior Hoe Drill**.

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York Street.**

CHAUTAUQUA CAMPAIGN NOW ON

Move to Make Chautauqua a Permanent Institution. Whirlwind Campaign Begun Monday Night. 500 Tickets to be Pledged.

The Directors of the Chautauqua have started a movement to insure the meeting of the Educational Institute for next year. At the session on Monday evening it was decided to make a whirlwind campaign lasting until the closing session Saturday night.

In order to place the movement on a better financial basis and secure the promoters against any direct monetary loss, it was decided to begin a canvas for the sale of 500 tickets, for the next year. The money is not ask for at this time, simply the pledge of the party receiving the tickets that he will make a determined effort to sell the tickets.

Within two hours after the announcement was made, the management reported 275 tickets pledged.

It must be remembered that the Chautauqua at Gettysburg is in its infancy. Many stumbling blocks impeded the pathway that led to this successful effort of the town merchants. Those who have been directly associated with the movement since its beginning, can appreciate the hard labor connected with a proposition of this kind. They have been willing workers and deserve the support of every person who is interested in the welfare of the community.

On Monday afternoon Dr. Lamar talked on the subject of "Human Electricity," and pleased a large audience. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Bornshein rendered a musical prelude preceding the lecture. The impersonations and readings, accompanied by Prof. Bornshein on the piano, were very good. Dr. Lamar then opened his treatise of "Dixie Since the War." A vivid picture was painted of the humiliated and bankrupt conditions existing in the South. On the return of Confederate soldiers from War, many who had long since departed from their homes and families, found nothing but a heap of ashes and charred wood, as evidence of the terrible disaster, that had taken place in their absence. Destitute and homeless, thousands of Confederate soldiers were turned out upon the highways to seek what comfort they could find in a devastated land, which a few years before abounded in luxury. Volumes of history and statistics are inexpensive, of the humiliation and grief that was experienced by these proud and chivalrous people of the South.

This evening the people will have an opportunity of hearing a lecture on Aviation by the "Birdman" Henry M. Neely, Esq., former chairman of the National contest committee.

Following is the program for Tuesday evening and Wednesday:

TUESDAY EVENING
7:30 p. m.—Free Concert, Gettysburg Band.

8:00 p. m.—Prelude.

8:15 p. m.—Lecture: Aeroplanes, How and Why they Fly, Henry M. Neely, Illustrated with Models, Still and Motion Pictures.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

A. M.—Tours of the battlefield.

2:00 p. m.—Prelude.

2:15 p. m.—Second Entertainment by C. Lawrence Abbott.

4:00 p. m.—Social Hour.

JUSTICE STEWART TO ADDRESS VETERANS

Justice Stewart, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, is scheduled to address the members of the Southern District Association of the G. A. R. at their meeting at Mt. Holly Park, Wednesday, September 20.

This coming meeting will be the eighth annual reunion of the association including the veterans of Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Fulton, Juniata and Perry counties. The association is to be congratulated in having secured Justice Stewart to deliver an address.

STEEL COACHES ON WESTERN MARYLAND

The Western Maryland Railway Company has received three more of its new steel frame passenger coaches. Three were received last week and are being used on the Blue Mountain Express. The company is now getting 40 of the coaches. The three just received will be put into service on the road at once. These coaches have light green velvet cushions, are equipped with gas and all conveniences.

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FULTON'S SHERIFF IS ARRESTED

Sheriff Harris of Fulton County in Our Judicial District Arrested for Releasing Prisoner. Milton Plank Interested in Case.

McConnellsburg, Aug. 22—Jeff Harris, Sheriff of Fulton County, is under \$2,000 bail for court charged with having liberated from the jail here Russell Sipes, recently arrested by Harry White, a detective from Harrisburg, charged with having burned six barns in the vicinity of this town. Sipes had confessed the crime, say the detectives.

Sipes was arrested last Monday and when taken to jail Harris, it is charged, declined to admit him. The prisoner was finally lodged in the jail against the Sheriff's protest.

Thursday morning word went around that Sipes had escaped. The Sheriff was informed that he must produce the prisoner for a hearing Thursday, or be arrested. No prisoner was produced and Harris did not even appear at the magistrate's office. A warrant was sworn out and Harris has been arrested and held for a hearing.

According to charges here, the sheriff aided Sipes in his escape.

A reward of \$100 has been offered for the arrest of Sipes.

Late last Saturday night Detective White was called by telephone by Milton H. Plank of Harrisburg, formerly of Gettysburg, who has an interest in the Dickinson Hotel here and was asked to come to McConnellsburg and aid the authorities in running down the incendiary, as there had been a stable or barn burning every Saturday night for the last five months. Detective White came to McConnellsburg Sunday and started to work on the case, and on Monday arrested Sipes, aged 22 years, who was found along the creek fishing. Sipes was taken to the Court House and put through the third degree and finally confessed to having fired five of the buildings, and said he did it to see the excitement and because everybody in town hated him and he wanted to get square.

HARRY W. RESSER

Harry W. Resser, died of lock jaw Monday morning at his home in East Berlin aged 38 years.

Mr. Resser, a carpenter by trade, was helping to raise a piece of heavy timber at the barn of Ezra Burgard, when the timber slipped and passed rapidly through his fingers, lacerating them so badly that amputation was deemed necessary. Mr. Resser suffered great pain after the operation and it was found that lock jaw had developed.

He leaves a mother, a wife and three children, also three sisters, Miss Katharine Resser, of East Berlin; Mrs. M. D. Diehl and Mrs. Charles H. Baker, of York Springs; three brothers, William W. Resser, of East Berlin; George M. Resser, of Lincolnton, Md.; Edwin S. Resser and Walter F. Resser, of York Springs.

Funeral services Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment in the East Berlin Cemetery.

STERLING BARR

Sterling Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barr, of Guernsey, died Friday evening at 7 o'clock, aged 2 months and 11 days. Funeral services were held Monday morning at the house with interment in Fairview Cemetery, Arendtsville, Rev. Mr. Hesson officiating.

DAVID TRIMMER

David Trimmer, East Berlin, aged twenty eight years, died in the York hospital Monday night at 7:35 o'clock. He was admitted to the medical ward on July 31.

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HELLO THERE! Are you going to Bower's Grove Aug. 26th, to hear that Band play? It will be fine.

FOR SALE: I offer for sale a fine driving and all round horse. A bright bay, 8 years old, 17 hands high and will weigh from 1100 and 1200 pounds, fearless of trolley or automobile. Calvin Gilbert, Gettysburg, Pa.

WANTED: a man to do general work. Apply Mrs. J. Emory Bair, Carlisle street.

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MISS HAWLEY DECLINES

Miss Katherine R. Hawley, of Duncannon, who was elected to fill the vacancy of Miss Anna Hale, as teacher in the Gettysburg High School, has declined the offer because of the development of unavoidable circumstances. The Board is now considering the names of a number of other applicants and they expect to settle the question within the next few days.

COME try a wheelbarrow race with the boys at Bower's Grove. You'll enjoy it.

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PRIVATE COTTAGE, 305 Madison square, Atlantic City, N. J. Cool comfortable rooms, bathing from house. S. J. Bumbaugh, proprietor.

BIG DAY OF THE YEAR AT PEN MAR

Western Maryland Railroad Making Preparations to Celebrate 36th Anniversary of Opening of the Park. Special Trains.

Big preparations are being made for the celebration of the 36th anniversary of the opening of Pen Mar on Thursday, August 31. Prof. John C. Bohr, the popular leader of the Pen Mar orchestra is arranging an especially fine program for the day and there will be many special features. Special trains will be run from all points. Prizes to the value of \$300 will be awarded as follows:

For handsomest baby, solid gold locket; largest baby, set of baby's gold pins; handsomest twins two solid gold rings; best dressed lady, 35 piece Dresden china set; handsomest lady Oriole game set, 7 pieces; best lady dancer, beautiful case; best gentleman dancer, military brush set, 7 pieces; best dressed gentleman, fine silk umbrella.

In the evening for handsomest lady, 42 piece Dresden china set; best lady dancer, cut glass punch bowl; best dressed lady, fine china fish set, 7 pieces; best gentleman dancer, Gillette improved shaving set; best dressed gentleman, ebony and silver brush set.

The judges will be newspaper men from points along the line of the railway. Prof. Frank B. Stouffer and Prof. Neidhardt will assist in judging the dancers.

RURAL NOTES

Those who spent Sunday at the home of David Tipton and family, of Gettysburg route 7, were, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sanders and three children.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riley and family, Mrs. D. A. Riley, Miss Minnie McGuigan, Addison Leer, Harvey Brown, Galt Weaver, Alvin Groupe, and John Leer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rummel returned to New York after a visit with friends and relatives in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Klinefelter and Miss Ford, returned to their home in Chestertown, Md., after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Weaver, on Baltimore street.

Miss Mary Baker of Baltimore street, is spending sometime in New Oxford.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Winebrenner after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Winebrenner on Baltimore street, returned to their home in Thurmont.

Arthur Rice, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, at the Harrisburg hospital last week, is reported to be improving rapidly.

Wedding invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Esther Speece to Rev. Edwin A. Chamberlin, on September 5th. Mr. Chamberlin graduated from Gettysburg College in 1908, and from Seminary during the past Spring.

Miss Mabel Myers, has returned home after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Lane Schofield in Baltimore.

The members of Dick's Dam Camp held a dance in the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity House, on Monday evening.

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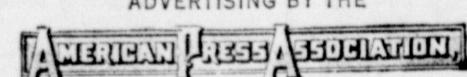
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It may be taken for granted that there is no family that does not sometime need a laxative. If you don't know of a good laxative, or the laxative you are using is losing its effect, we want to call your attention to Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepson, which thousands of families are using successfully.

We have scores of letters from mothers, and scores from prominent men saying they are using it personally and giving it to their families, men like Mr. C. K. Smith of the Traffic Clearing House, Pine Bluff, Ark., and Mr. George B. Turner, a lawyer of Harlan, Ky. The thousands of mothers who use it themselves and give it to their children would take too much space to mention.

The reason they prefer Syrup Pepson is that it is a mild, gentle laxative.

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tive-tonic that does not gripe—effective and yet so mild that babies can take it. Its tonic ingredients invigorate the body and strengthen the stomach and bowel muscles so that they again do their work naturally. If you have been a victim of salts, pills and strong cathartics you will discard them when you once use Syrup Pepson.

You can buy a fifty cent or one dollar bottle of any druggist, but before doing so you may want to try it free. So, send your address to Dr. Caldwell and he will promptly forward a free sample bottle. Then, being convinced, do as others are doing and buy it in the regular way of your favorite druggist.

For the free sample address Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 541 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

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SECRETARY WILSON.

Who Was on the Stand in Pure Food Probe.



BASE BALL SCORES.

Following is the Result of Games Played Yesterday.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

At Chicago — Washington, 7; Chicago, 4. Batteries — Johnson, Street; O'Leary, Clark. At Detroit — Detroit, 5; New York, 4. Batteries — Donovan, Stanage; Warrington, Sweeney. St. Louis-Athletics — Rain. Cleveland-Boston — Not scheduled.

Standing of the Clubs.

W. L. PC. W. L. PC.
Athletics 73 39 652 Cleveland 57 57 500
Detroit.. 70 45 609 Chicago 56 58 491
Boston.. 59 54 522 Washin. 49 66 426
N.York.. 58 57 504 St.Louis 33 79 295

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At Boston — Cincinnati, 7; Boston, 6. Batteries — Gaspar, McLean; Purdie, Kling.

At Philadelphia — Pittsburg, 10; Philadelphia, 7. Batteries — Steele, Cannizz, Gibson; Chalmers, Moore; Hall, Madden.

At Brooklyn — St. Louis, 6; Brooklyn, 1. Batteries — Sallee, Bliss; Knetzer, Bergen.

At New York — New York, 3; Chicago, 2. Batteries — Marquard, Myers; Ritchie, Archer.

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W. L. PC. W. L. PC.
Chicago. 64 40 615 St.Louis 69 49 550
N.York.. 66 42 611 Cincinnati. 48 60 444
Pittsbhg. 67 43 609 Brooklin. 41 67 380
Phila. 69 49 550 Boston.. 27 83 245

TRISTATE LEAGUE.

At Reading — Reading, 8; Altoona, 6. Batteries — Northrop, Philson; Pound, Gaggin.

At Trenton — Trenton, 3; York, 2. Batteries — Dugan, Kerr; Oldham, Welscher.

At Wilmington — Wilmington, 6; Harrisburg, 3. Batteries — Baxter, Hough, Jesup, May.

At Lancaster — Lancaster, 3; Johnstown, 2 (2d game). Batteries — Chaben, Foster; Thomas, Raub.

Johnstown, 1; Lancaster, 0 (2d game). Batteries — Stanley, Stroh; Shetler, Foster.

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Johnstown. 50 45 526 Harrisg. 42 52 447
Altoona. 44 49 473 Wilming 32 62 340

JAIL FOR WIRELESS MEN

Convicted Officials Start Their Sentences Tomorrow.

New York, Aug. 22.—The president sent to the senate the nominations of James T. DuBois, of Hulstead, Pa., to be minister to Colombia, and Thomas P. Toffat, of New York, to be consul general at Singapore. Straits Settlements.

Mr. DuBois, the new minister to Colombia, is at present consul general at Singapore.

Mr. Moffat, who succeeds Mr. DuBois at Singapore, resigned from the consular service early this year to enter the employ of the Nicaraguan government as a member of the commission to pass upon the foreign concessions granted under President Zelaya.

Wilson and Butler will go to Atlanta, Ga., where they will serve three and two-year terms, respectively, in federal prison. Tomkins will go to Blackwell Island for a year.

The mandate of the United States circuit court affirming the judgment of the trial court was recorded.

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UNCLAIMED LETTERS

The following letters remain unclaimed in the Gettysburg post office Aug. 22, 1911:
Mr. Munro Francesco, Chas Hereth, Mimes Miller, Mr. Fred. A. Pfeffer, Mr. B. X. Shields, Raffael Stringars.

Parties calling for the above will please state that they were advertised. C. Wm. Beales, postmaster.

PUBLIC SALE

ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1911.

The undersigned residing in Franklin Twp., Adams Co., Pa., will sell at public sale her farm situated in Buchanan Valley on the public road leading from the Chambersburg Pike to Aarndaleville about one mile from what is known as Coles Store, and 3 1/2 miles from St. Ignatius Church. Adjoining lands of John Dillon, George Irvin, Emmanuel Baker, Joseph Baker and Theodore Kimple, containing 79 acres and some perch. About one-half clear land, and a nice farm land as is in the valley. The balance in thriving timber consisting of chestnut, white pine and oak, also some rock oak and poplar, improved with a two-and-one-half story weatherboarded house 25x30 with porch 30ft. front and 2 1/2 story back building attached 15 x 18 with two porches and pantry attached, also balcony and clothes room attached to second story, good bank barn with wagon shed and corn crib attached, hog pen, a large chicken house, bake oven with a good building 15 x 15 over it, a never failing spring of water at the buildings, also a good spring that never fail and can be piped to the buildings, the buildings are all new, have been built since 1900, there is also apple, pear, quince, plum, grapes and other fruit, any one wishing a pleasant home will not find a more suitable one in the valley, it lies in the apple belt adjoining one of J. Dillon's fine orchards, also near A. W. Cole's fine orchards, also near Mrs. Mary E. McDermitt's.

Liberal Offer

Mr. G. E. Pendleton, of the Worcester Salt Co., is in town to arrange for the general introduction of this company's Ivory Salt to the people of Gettysburg. The "Worcester" brand has been sold by many of the stores here for years, and it is now proposed to give every family in the city who will buy a ten cent bag of Worcester Salt, a ten cent carton of Ivory Shaker Salt, free of charge.

A force of women will be employed who will distribute cards from house to house, these cards being worth ten cents in exchange for Worcester and Ivory at any grocery store handling these brands.

This is an exceptionally liberal offer on the part of this famous salt company, and those who fail to take advantage of it will be few and far between. For the benefit of our readers, we shall publish in a few days a list of the stores where both Worcester and Ivory can be obtained.

NOTICE

The undersigned having been appointed Attorney-in-fact for Annie M. Runkel, of Gettysburg, Pa., desires to notify all creditors of the above named, Annie M. Runkel, to present their claims before September 1st, 1911, to Mrs. Helena Ertter, No. 326 Baltimore street.

NEW GOODS

We have just received a shipment of LISK WASH BOILERS, size 8, regular \$1.60 Boilers, which are going to sell at \$1.25. This is a real bargain as everybody knows the quality of Lisk Goods. They have metallic bottoms, which are better than copper bottoms. We haven't very many so you had better get one while they last.

Special, 10c Fancy Jardineres and Flower Pots.

We have something new in FLOWER POTS. A nice brown smooth finished pot which you can use nicely without a jardine. We have them in 10c, 25c and 30c sizes.

Our new CLAYWOOD JARDINERES are the prettiest things ever seen for 10c. Regular 25c goods.

A lot of new CHINA plates in. It is worth seeing.

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A good time to make a selection.

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A NIHILIST'S DESPERATE DEED

Story of a Queer Bet and Why It Was Made.

Two men were conversing in a wing of the Winter palace in St. Petersburg, the one the Grand Duke Nicholas, the other Captain Dmitri Warasoff of the Russian army. The grand duke was sitting behind an ebony desk; the captain was standing before him.

"Your treachery is an unpardonable sin," said Nicholas. "I have advanced your interests by attaching you to the czar's staff, thus opening to you a career. You have repaid me by joining this conspiracy against the czar."

"I have not!" exclaimed the captain indignantly.

"I have the proof."

"Let me see it."

The grand duke held before the young man letter written in the captain's handwriting and signed by him. The accused man started back, a sudden pallor overspreading his face.

"Ah!" said Nicholas icily. "When confronted with evidence your assurance deserts you."

"I never wrote that letter!"

"It is in your handwriting."

"So nearly like it that I could not tell it from mine. Nevertheless it is a forgery."

Nicholas' eyes flashed. "Who would be interested in perpetrating such a villainy?"

"I cannot imagine. Stop! Let me think. Can it be that they are trying to get me out of their way?" He paused in deep thought.

"What do you mean?"

"I suspect certain men, a certain man especially, owing to an accidental discovery I recently made of an attempt not on the life of the czar, but on yours."

"Whom do you suspect?" asked Nicholas, changing color.

"One of them is my friend. If I accused him it might be wrongfully. I would rather go to Siberia than harm him if he is innocent."

"You will go to Siberia if you not give me his name."

"Then I will go to Siberia."

The door opened and a young man named Pertof entered.

"How fortunate!" exclaimed the com-
er, "to find you two together! I have
heard that Warasoff is in trouble, and
I came to say to your imperial highness
that any accusations against him are absurd."

"I am sorry to say, Pertof, that I have indisputable proof. Read that!"

And he tossed him the letter he had shown the captain. Pertof read it and flung it aside contemptuously.

"The capital is full of plotting," he said, "I believe no accusations, for am I to be accused as any one. Dismiss this matter from your mind, Nicholas. We three are intimate friends. None of us knows how soon he may fall a victim to intrigue. Therefore let us not worry, but enjoy what of life remains to us. Bring out some of that wine I tasted when we were last together and let us make merry."

The grand duke, though not convinced, concluded to fall in with his friend's humor and, tapping a bell, he ordered the wine.

Pertof emptied his glass; the grand duke sipped his; Captain Warasoff left his untouched.

"What's the matter, Dmitri?" cried Pertof. "Isn't his highness' wine good enough for you?"

"I cannot drink under accusation."

"You're squeamish, man. Whoever troubles himself at being suspected or even accused in these days is in danger of nervous collapse. I'll make you a bet of 100 rubles even that within thirty days I will be accused of some conspiracy. I'll make another bet of 100 to 1,000 rubles that within sixty days I go to Siberia and a third bet of 10,000 rubles that I am executed."

"You are trifling with serious matters," said Nicholas uneasily.

"Not at all. We are all in danger, and if I could make the last named bet it would be an insurance on my life for my family."

"I will take that bet," said Warasoff, with a singular look in his eyes.

"Done," said Pertof, taking his hand. The grand duke looked at both men as if he thought they had taken leave of their senses.

Pertof took a cigar case from his pocket and was about to strike a match when, recollecting himself, he handed the case to the grand duke.

Nicholas took a cigar from the case, struck a match and lighted it. He had taken but a few whiffs when Dmitri Warasoff made a leap for him, snatched the cigar from his lips and, raising a window sash, threw it out. Nicholas looked at him angrily for the apparent insult. In a few seconds an explosion was heard in the court below. All stood mute for awhile. Then Warasoff, pointing at Pertof, said:

"There is the man, your highness, who forged that letter. I overheard him speaking with some suspicious persons upon the subject of an explosive cigar."

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